CHAPTER 11

DAJJAL AND ‘ISA IBN MARYAM ﷺ

Ad-Dani narrated from Silah ibn Zufar that he said:

“It was said one day to Hudhayfah (ﷺ): “The Dajjal has come out!” So he said: “You would be fortunate if he came out while the Companions of Muhammad ﷺ were among you. He will not come out until no-one will be more loved by the people than him (i.e. the Dajjal), because of the hardship that they will suffer.”

Ibn Majah, ar-Ruwayyani, Ibn Khuzaymah, Abu ‘Awanah, al-Hakim and Abu Nu’aym – and it is his wording – narrated from Abu Umamah ﷺ that he said:

“The Messenger of Allah ﷺ gave us a sermon in which he mentioned the Dajjal, and he said:

“So al-Madinah will expel her filth, as the furnace expels the filth of the iron, and that day will be called the Day of Purification.”

So Umm Shurayk said: “O Messenger of Allah, where are the Arabs on that day?”

He said: “They will be few on that day, most of them will be in Bayt al-Maqdis, and their Imam, the Mahdi, will be a righteous man. When their imam has come forward to lead them in the Subh prayer, ‘Isa ibn Maryam (ﷺ) will descend upon them, and that imam will move backwards so that ‘Isa can come forward, so ‘Isa will place his hand between his shoulders and say to him: “Go forward and pray, for it was established for you.” So their imam will lead them in the prayer.”

And Nu'aym narrated from Ka'b that he said:

"The Dajjal will besiege the believers in Bayt al-Maqdis, and they will be afflicted by severe hunger so that they will eat their bowstrings. While they are like that, they will hear a voice in the early dawn, and they will say: "This is the voice of a satiated man." He said: "So they will look and it will be 'Isa ibn Maryam (ﷺ)."

He said: "The prayer will be established, and the imam of the Muslims, the Mahdi, will move back, but 'Isa will say: "Go forward, for the prayer was established for you." So he will lead them in that prayer, then 'Isa (ﷺ) will be their imam afterwards."

And Allah knows best.

And all praise be to Allah by Whose Grace all good deeds are completed.